**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Did the Director, or the Chief Engineer or his subordinates, inspect the building in the locality ?

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—I inspected the locality and found it unsuitable for more reasons than one. The building is a dilapicated one and is falling down. The Engineering Department had to withhold the rent certificate.

**Mr. P. S. Kesavan Nambudiri.**—Are the Government proposing to construct a new building?

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—Yes.

**Mr. P. S. Kesavan Nambudiri.**—Cannot they construct a new building at Nandikara?

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—I never said that that was the reason for shifting the school from Nandikara to Nellayi. As a matter of fact the Member for Nellayi wanted the information and I gave the information.

**Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—What is the strength of the school?

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—It is about 200.

## Raising of pay of Police officers.

**80. Mr. Paul Mampilli.**— Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) is there a proposal to raise the scale of pay of the District Superintendents of Police ;

(b) is there a proposal to raise the pay of the Prosecuting Inspector of Police ;

(c) is the maximum pay of the Prosecuting Inspector of Police the same as the minimum pay of the District Superintendent of Police ?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—(a) The question of raising the scale of pay of the District Superintendents of Police will be considered after the question of investing them with increased powers is decided.

(b) No.

(c) Yes.

**Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—May I know how long this question has been pending with the Commissioner of Police or the Government?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—With the Government for nearly three months.

**Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—Has the Commissioner of Police submitted any definite proposals regarding the question of investing the D. S. Ps. with additional powers?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—Yes, I have expressed my opinion.

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**Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—May I know when?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon:**—It is about six months now and it is engaging th attention of the Government.

**Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—May I remind the Hon'ble Member that he made the same statement that it is under the consideration of the Government during the last budget session?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon:**—I want notice.

**Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—Am I wrong in thinking that it is pending with the Government?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I have sent up my proposals to the Government.

**Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—May I know whether the Government have definitely made up their minds with regard to this matter at least now?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—Sir, the present District Superintendents are new to the department and they are under probation for one year and this question of investing them with additional powers will be settled after their period of probation is over.

**Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—May I know what has actually been done in this matter—anything has actually taken place or is it simply in the mind of the Commissioner of Police?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—It is in the minds of the Government.

**Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—Am I to take it that you have submitted proposals?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I have expressed my views on the matter and it is engaging the attention of the Government.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—May I know how many Prosecuting Inspectors we have now?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—One.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Was there a time when there were three Prosecuting Inspectors?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—Yes.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—What was the pay of the Prosecuting Inspectors when we had three of them?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—It was years ago and I want notice.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Had we a period when we had two Prosecuting Inspectors subsequently?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—Till recently we had two rsecuting Inspectors.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—What was their pay then?

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**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**— Rs. 100 to 150.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—What is the nature of the work of the Prosecuting Inspector?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—He has to attend to all first class cases and special cases entrusted to him by the Commissioner and all the appeals.

**Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—Is he able to attend to all the first class cases now?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I don't think so, there is some difficulty.

**Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—Is he doing that work which the two Prosecuting Inspectors were doing?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—Yes.

**Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—Is there any increment of pay for him on that score?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—It is as a measure of retrenchment that the post of one Prosecuting Inspector was abolished and if the pay is increased the effect of a retrenchment cannot be achieved. So we have only one Inspector with the same pay.

**Mr. A. Eachara Menon.**— Have the number of cases increased or have they decreased?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I can't say off-hand now.

**Mr. M. Krishna Menon.**—When there is only one Inspector and his work has increased, why not give him the maximum of the grade?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—The matter will be considered.

**Mr. Joseph Pettah.**—Was there not a period when the whole work was done by one Prosecuting Inspector?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—Yes.

**Mr. Joseph Pettah.**—How long was that period?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I can't say exactly; it was about 10 years.

**Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—How many years ago was that?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—Somewhere about six years ago.

**Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—Has crime increased or decreased afterwards, since the six years?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—It is more or less normal. During some years it is on the increase and sometimes on the decrease.

**Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—At any rate is it not a fact that the Prosecuting Inspector has not much leisure at present, considering the work that has to turn out?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I don't think he has much leisure since he has to go about the whole State.

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**Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.**—May I know when this reduction in number was made, from two to one?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—A few months ago, on the suggestion of the Hon'ble Member for Nemmara.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—May I know whether the number of first-class Magistrates' Courts in the State was only one when there was more than one Prosecuting Inspector?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I don't think so. Some of the Magistrates are invested with first-class powers, not one alone.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Has there not been an increase of Magistrates having first-class powers in recent times?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—That does not increase the number of cases.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Does it not increase the number of places the Prosecuting Inspector has to travel?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I think so.

**Mr. C. A. Ouseph.**—May I know whether it was felt at the time when there were two Prosecuting Inspectors that there was not sufficient work for both?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—It is for that reason as a sort of experiment that we are trying to manage the work with one Prosecuting Inspector. If it is found that he is not able to cope with the work, other measures will be devised.

**Mr. C. A. Ouseph.**—May I know whether he is doing his work properly?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—Surely.

**Mr. C.A. Ouseph.**—May I know whether the Government or the Commissioner of Police has found it necessary to invest the D. S. Ps. with more powers?

**President.**—That question has already been asked and answered.

**Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.**—Will the Government bear in mind my suggestion that the question of investing them with additional powers may lie over for half a dozen months more? I say it is too early to grant them more powers.

**President.**—You cannot make a speech at this stage.

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—That the question will lie over will be seen from the nature of my previous answers, since it will take six months for the probationary period of the Superintendent to expire.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—How does the Prosecuting Inspector's pay compare with that of the Magistrate's?

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**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—The Prosecuting Inspector's pay is Rs. 100 to 150 while the Magistrate's pay is 125 to 150.

**Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—May I know the number of first-class cases entrusted to other officers than the Prosecuting Inspector?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—I want notice.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Can I know from the Government how the pay of the Prosecuting Inspector compares with that of the Magistrates in British India as well as in Travancore?

**Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.**—notice.

## Assignment of land to war-service men.

81. മിസ്റ്റർ. കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ.—കഴിഞ്ഞ മഹായുദ്ധകാലത്ത് ഈ രാജ്യത്തിനും പട്ടാളസേവനത്തിനു പോയിട്ടുണ്ടായിരുന്നവർക്ക് പുതുവൽ പതിച്ചുകൊടുക്കാമെന്നും ഗവമ്മെണ്ടു വാഗ്ദാനം ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ; ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ ഇതുവരേയ്ക്കും കൊടുക്കാതിരിയ്ക്കുവാനുള്ള കാരണമെന്ത്?

റാവു സാഹിബ് മിസ്റ്റർ. ടി. വി. കസ്തൂരിരങ്കയ്യർ.—പഴയ ലാൻഡ് റവന്യൂ മാനുവൽ മൂന്നാം അദ്ധ്യായം വർ -ാം വകുപ്പ് (എട്ട്) എന്ന ഉപവകുപ്പിൽ പ്രസ്താവിച്ച നിശ്ചയങ്ങളം അനുസരിച്ച് പതിച്ചു കൊടുക്കാമെന്നും ഗവമ്മെണ്ടു ഒരു കാലത്തു നിശ്ചയം ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. അവയനുസരിച്ചു പലേ സ്ഥലങ്ങളം പതിച്ചു കൊടുക്കുകയും ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ട്. എന്നാൽ ഈ വകുപ്പ് ഫസ്വ ൦ ആഗസ്റ്റു വ -ാം തിയ്യതിക്കുശേഷം ബോധിപ്പിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള അപേക്ഷക്കാക്ക് ബാധകമല്ലെന്നും ലാൻഡ് റവന്യൂ മാനുവൽ വ ൬ -ാം നമ്പർ ശുദ്ധപത്രം (Correction Slip) പ്രകാരം തീർപ്പുപ്പെടുത്തീട്ടും ഉണ്ട്.

## Attachment of the pay of the Poomangalam Panchayat Vaidyan.

82. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether the pay of the Poomangalam Panchayat Vaidyan Mr. Kuttan Menon has ever been under attachment at any time in 1107;

(b) if so, what was the amount of the decree for which the attachment was effected;

(c) for what length of time did the attachment subsist;

(d) was there any complaint to the Registrar of Panchayats or to the Government regarding the indebtedness of this Vaidyan;

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